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Record of Births

Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wallace, Friday, May 2, 1947.
Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. Mark L. Malone, Monday, May 5, 1947.
Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Derington, Tuesday, May 6, 1947.

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Legal Notice

CITATION BY PUBLICATION.

THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: Zebdee Leggett, GREETING:
You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 16th day of June, A. D. 1947, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County, at the Court House in Abilene, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 30th day of April, 1947. The file number of said suit being No. 15,284-A.

The names of the parties in said suit are: Carry Mae Leggett as Plaintiff, and Zebdee Leggett as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were married June 21, 1945, and separated on or about August 28, 1945.

No children were born to this marriage and there is no community property.

Plaintiff sues for divorce on the grounds of cruel treatment.

If this Citation is not served within 90 days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved. Issued this the 30th day of April, A. D. 1947.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 30th day of April, A. D. 1947.

(Seal) J. Neil Daniel, Clerk, District Court, Taylor County, Texas
By Thelma Graham, Deputy.

WATER WELL DRILLING — I have 2 machines; all work guaranteed. B. T. Sublett, Box 206 Merkel.

Noodle P-TA Elects Officers at Meeting

Mrs. Willard Rogers was named president of the Noodle Parent-Teacher association at a recent meeting in the school.

Other new officers include Mrs. Wilson Williams, vice-president; Mrs. O. F. Hill, program chairman; Mrs. Carl Baccus, secretary and treasurer; Mrs. B. R. Vancil, historian; Mrs. Ernest Dixon, parliamentarian.

These will be installed formally at a meeting May 13 at 8:30 p. m. Also on the program will be a "Dress Revue," with about 18 students from Mrs. A. J. Hill's home-making classes participating.

Check-up on Benefit Show Not Completed

A final check-up showing total receipts from the sale of tickets for the benefit show at the Queen theatre Tuesday night, sponsored by the Merkel Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars for the Texas City Relief fund, had not been completed Wednesday night, as some of the Veterans took quotas of tickets to be sold in surrounding communities and several had reported that they would not make their turn-in until some time Thursday.

Hospital Notes

The following patients were received by Sadler Clinic during the week: for surgery, H. S. Price, Willie Joe Clark and Mrs. Jack Adams; for treatment, Mrs. L. O. Justice; first aid and treatment, Harold Farmer; first aid and cast, Bobby Joe Hunter. Receiving ton-sillectomies were H. W. Lemus, Nell Collins, Jeff Chancey and Sherel Kay DuBose.

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Abilene Minister to Address Senior Class

Rev. W. E. King, pastor of the University Baptist church of Abilene, will deliver the address to the graduating class of Merkel High school on Friday evening, May 30.

The sermon to the class will be preached by Rev. L. M. Brown, pastor of the Methodist church, on Sunday evening, May 25.

The Senior Class play is to be presented Friday evening, May 23, Supt. R. A. McCollum announced this week.

Carl Anderson Guest Speaker at Banquet

Hon. Carl M. Anderson, Sweetwater attorney, will be the guest speaker for the Junior-Senior banquet to be held at the Bluebonnet hotel, Sweetwater, on Friday evening of this week.

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WTUC Wins Trophy



Trophy presented to the West Texas Utilities company, winner of the first division of the 1946 national Vehicle Accident Prevention contest, sponsored by the Bureau of Safety.

In winning the contest, the West Texas Utilities company established the remarkable record of over three million vehicle miles of operation with only twenty-three minor accidents.

Wins Trophy in First Division of Accident Prevention Contest

The West Texas Utilities company, in establishing a record of over three million vehicle miles of operation with only twenty-three minor accidents, was named as winner of the first division of the 1946 national Vehicle Accident Prevention contest, according to a recent announcement by the Bureau of Safety.

Competing in the contest were companies located in Kentucky, Oklahoma, Illinois, Wisconsin, Texas, Louisiana and Arkansas, having a total mileage operation in excess of twenty-five million vehicle miles.

In presenting the trophy awarded to the Winner, Buford B. McCulloch of the Bureau of Safety praised the West Texas Utilities Company's winning record as outstanding; pointing out that the average accident ratio of all competing companies was 48 per cent higher than that of the West Texas Utilities company.

Automobiles and trucks of the West Texas Utilities company, operated by scores of different drivers, traveled 3,108,110 miles in West Texas during 1946. Three million miles driven under conditions varying from blistering sands to freezing blizzards with only twenty-three minor accidents and no fatalities; less than one accident per 100,000 vehicle miles; actually only .74 per 100,000 miles.

In extending congratulations to the entire personnel of West Texas Utilities company upon the achievement of this remarkable safety record, Price Campbell, president said, "The winning record of the West Texas Utilities company could be established only through the loyal support and cooperation of the entire organization. We take great pride in this further accomplishment."

The funeral services of General Braddock were read by Washington.

Registration for the University of Texas summer session will be held Wednesday, June 4. The first six weeks of study ends July 18; registration for the second six weeks is July 19.

QUEEN THEATRE CALENDAR

Friday - Saturday — Double feature program: Red Ryder, Little Beaver in "Stagecoach to Denver" and Dane Clark, Martha Vickers, Sydney Greenstreet, Alan Hale in "That Way with Women;" color cartoon and Chick Carter serial.

Sunday, Monday and Tuesday—John Wayne, Gail Russell in "Angel and the Badman;" cartoon and latest News.

Wednesday - Thursday — Eddie Bracken, Cass Daley, Virginia Welles in "Ladies' Man;" added: Selected Shorts.

"ANGEL AND THE BADMAN"

An exciting romance is offered in John Wayne's first starring-producing picture for Republic, "Angel and the Badman," in which Gail Russell shares top billing.

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**Mrs. T. T. Earthman
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Recitals May 15-16**

Mrs. T. T. Earthman will present her piano pupils in recitals at the First Baptist church on Thursday and Friday nights, May 15 and 16, at 8 o'clock. Those taking part on the first program are:

"Ribbons and Ruffles," (Chalfa), Vernell McLean.
"In the Swing," (Daniel), Barbara Sue McLeod.
"Morning Prayer," (Streabbog), **Marolyn Teaff.**
"From a Distant Steeple," (King), Carolyn Teaff.
"The Pond in the Wood," (Weybright), Jerry Estep.
"Tommy's New Drum," (Preston),

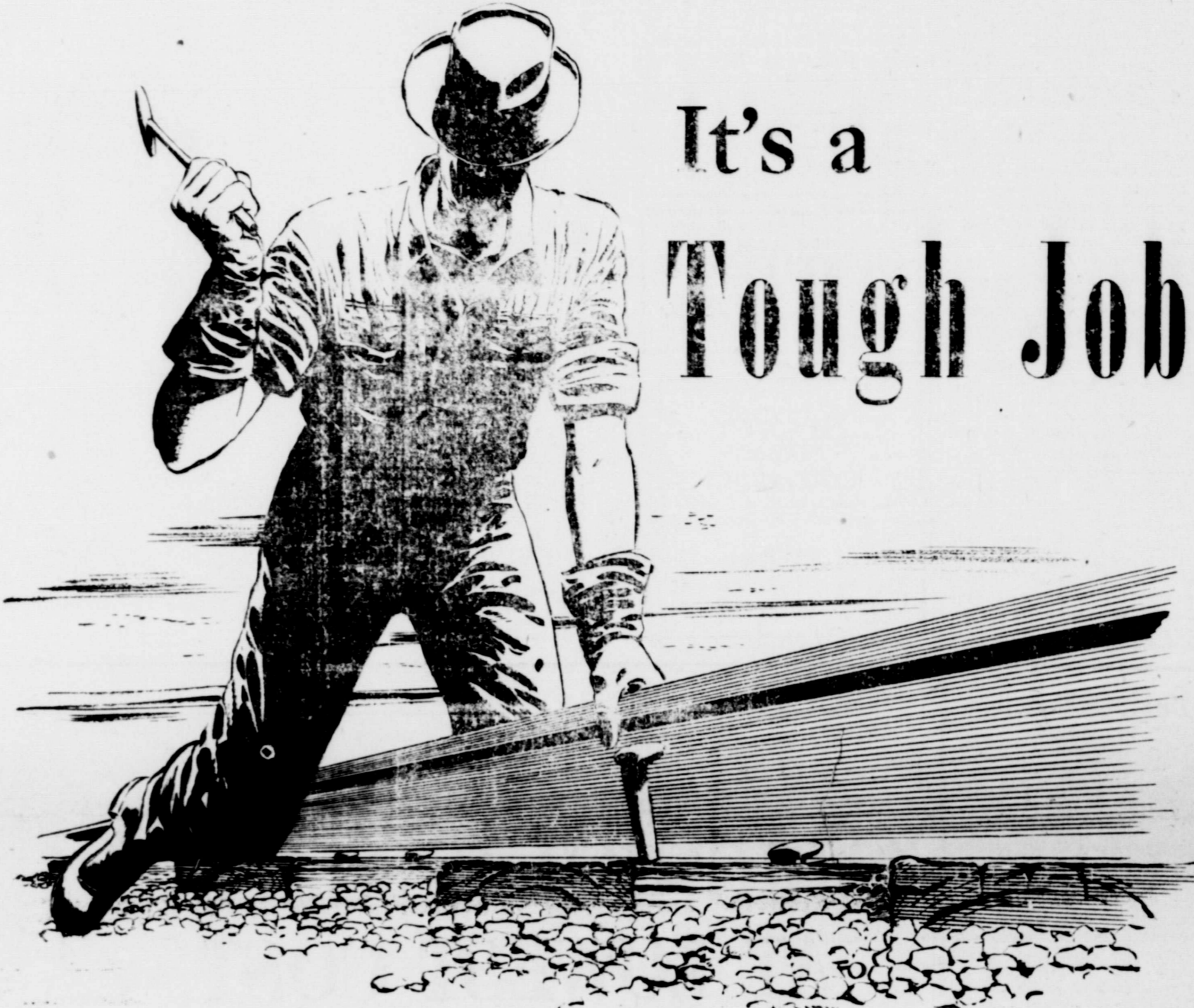
Larry Joyce.
"The Dirigible," (Thompson), Jerry Gibson.
"Lilly Pads," (Lock), Billy Reid.
"The Ginger Snap Parade," (Eckstein), Jimmy Walker.
"Sonatina Op. 36, No. 1, Mov. 3," (Clementi), Johnny Wayne Hammond.
"Sonatina Op. 36, No. 1, Mov. 2," (Clementi), Sessions Hammond.
"The Circus Parade," (Wright), Denta Gibson.
"Balloons," (Arlen), Bertha Patterson.
"Rustic Chapel," (Rolf), Emma Jean Ely.
"The Dreamer," (Gradi), Dorothy Nell Irvin.
"Scarf Dance," (Wright), Vencil Rust.
(a) "Sonatina Op. 36, No. 2, Mov.

" (Clementi), (b) "Minuet in G," (Beethoven), Maxine Kerns.
"Drifting Moon," (Bentley), Mary Frances Criswell.
"Traumeri," (Schumann), Monn Robertson.
"The Myrtles," (Wachs), Patsy Swann.
"The Ice Ballet," (Fletcher), Betty Ann Merritt.
"Swaying Daffodils," (Overlade), Norma Jean Hodge.
"Evening Chimes," (Heins), Ann Booth.
"Clair de Lune," (Debussy), Jane Hughes.
"Habarena," (Mokrejs), Patsy Clark.
"Sonatina Op. 36, No. 6, Mov. 1, 2 and 3," (Clementi), Connie Beth Harris.
On Friday night, May 16, the fol-

lowing program will be presented:
"My First Waltz," (Rolseth), Gloria Teaff.
"Waltz of the Toys," (Bermont), Jean Irvin.
"Circus Is Now on Parade," (Erevin), Gay Vardeman.
"Come and Play," (Frost), Sonja Horton.
"The Guitar Serenade," (Gaynor), Patsy Beech.
"At Sunset," (Ketterer), Patricia Palmer.
"Fairy Dance," (Eidt), Kay James.
"Pickaninny Serenade," (Eskstein), Janyce Herring.
"Song of the Seesaw," (Risher), Nelda Weathers.
"Morning Call," (Hanson), Paka Newby.
"By a Log Fire," (Sutherland), Norma Stepha.

"Heads Up!" (Lewellyn), Kay Wylie.
"Woodnymph's Frolic," (Aaron), Beth Thomas.
"Woodnymph's Harp," (Rea), Marie Kerns.
"Just Strummin'," (Sprenger), Ruby Stephan.
"By Sylvan Lake," (Benson), Wanda June Bradley.
"On the Magic Lake," (Crawford), Betty Wylie.
"Tranquil Waters," (Ketterer), Yvonne Horton.
"Little Lady," (Eckstein), Barbara Wilson.
"Nodding Poppies," (Stevens), Sandra Patterson.
"Carnival Dancers," (Chauncy), Joy Walker.
"Petit Tango," (Hopkins), Phyllis Freeman.

"Valse Op. 32," (Wright), Ella Faye Lucas.
"Meditation," (Morrison), Betty K. Smith.
"On Skates," (Ketterer), Cliffla Jean Estep.
"Joyous Farmer," (Schumann), Betty Jo James.
"Les Sylphs," (Bachman), Joyce Irvin.
"Fifth Nocturn," (Leybach), Jerene Risinger.
"Warriors Song," (Heller), Joan Brown.
"Sonata in C," (Mozart), Joy Nalley.
(a) "Invention No. 8," (Bach), (b) "Valcik," (Mokrejs), Sandra Sadler.
(a) "Prelude No. 8," (Bach), (b) "Theme from Polonaise in A Major," (Chopin), Barbara Sandusky.



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Maybe you are a farmer, a white-collar worker or a banker... it makes no difference who you are or what you do... your day-to-day living is intimately related to transportation... by train.
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One of the tough problems confronting the railroads today is that of making financial ends meet. Day-to-day "living ex-

penses" haven't left much "take home" pay for the railroads... and if there isn't something left after all the bills are paid, the railroads can't provide the improved freight and passenger services you demand and are entitled to.
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SEE Lendon A. Coats for water well drilling. Phone 281W.

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LODGE CALLS

NOTICE MASONS

Stated meeting of Merkel lodge No. 710, A. F. and A. M., Thursday, May 15, at 7:30 p. m. Special speaker. All members are urged to be present. Visiting brethren cordially invited. Refreshments.

O. B. Leach, W. M.
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Red and White—SPICED— Luncheon Meat, 12 oz. 39c	Regular—PALMOLIVE— Soap, bar 9c
Red and White—SMALL— Ripe Olives, pt. 37c	RED and WHITE— Green Beans, No. 2 can 23c
RED and WHITE— Shortening, 1 lb. 36c	Red and White—No. 3 Sive.— Peas, No. 2 can, 2 for 43c
No. 10—Brimfull—WHOLE— Apricots, gal. 59c	RED and WHITE— Spinach, No. 2 15c
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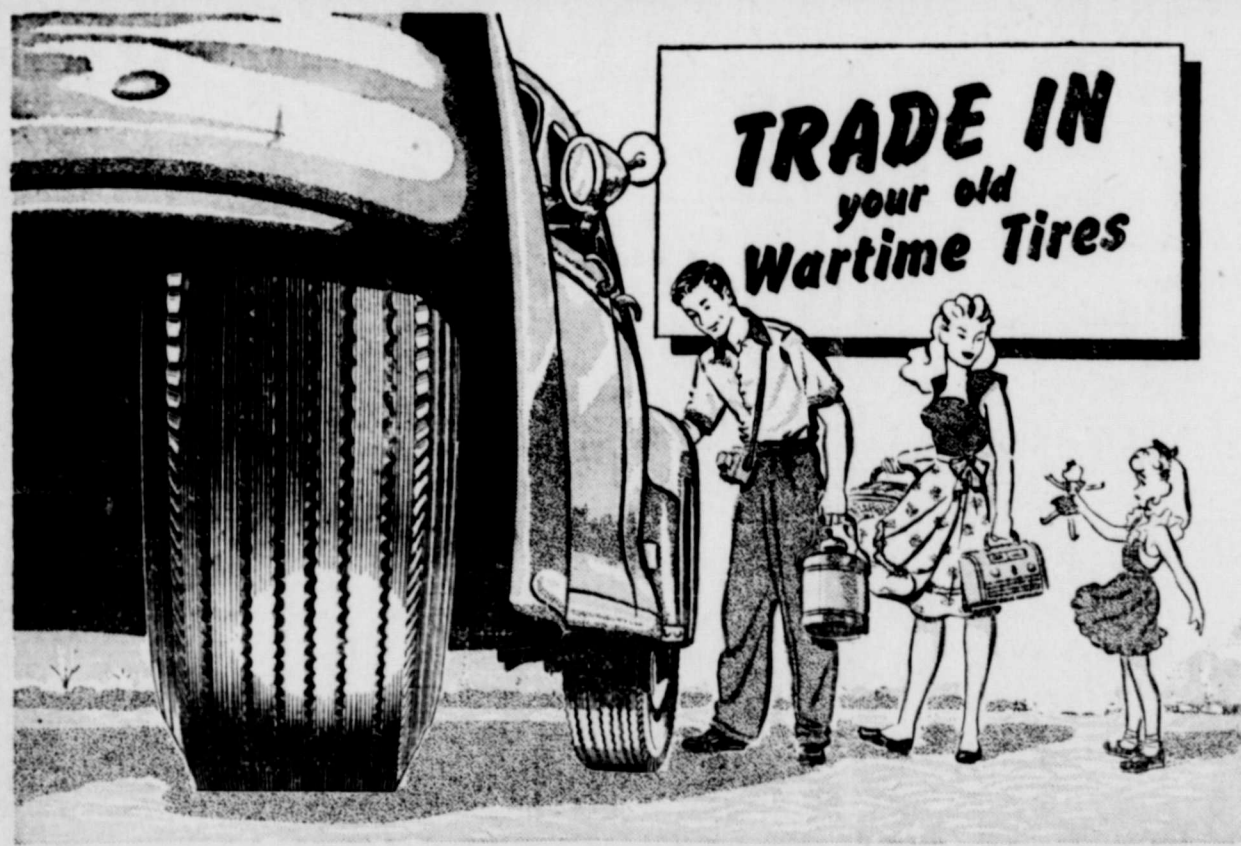
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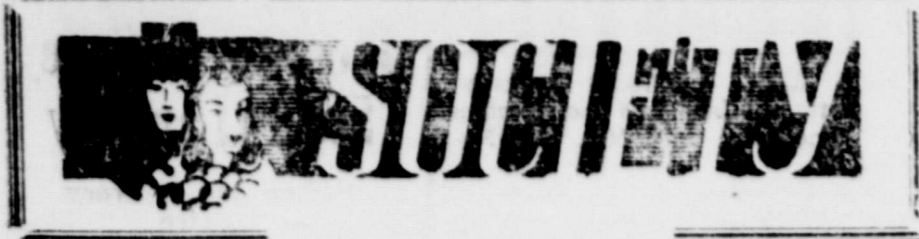
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FORTNIGHTLY STUDY CLUB.

Members of the Fortnightly Study club met in the home of Mrs. S. D. Gamble Tuesday afternoon and heard interesting talks on "Racial Problems in Education." Mrs. Chester Colburnworth talked about "The Negro as the Forgotten Man," and Mrs. Joe Cypert discussed "Education for the Mexican."

Members answered roll call by giving their preferences as to the type of programs they would like to have next year. An outing will be held at Lake Sweetwater on May 24, at which time the new officers will be installed.

Others present were Mesdames Bill Harris, Johnny Cox, Will Sloman, J. W. Jennings, Comer Haynes, Paul West, Elma McFarland, Henry West, Griff Barnett, Weldon McAninch, Carroll Benson, Owen Robertson, W. T. Sadler, Edwin Read, P. C. Wythe and Wrenn Durham, Miss Christine Collins.

GARDEN CLUB NOTES.

Mrs. Paul West and Mrs. S. D. Gamble were co-hostesses last Thursday, entertaining members of the Garden club at the Youth Center, when a most interesting program was presented by Mrs. Dee Grimes, who spoke on "Flower Arrangements," and Mrs. Will Sloman, who talked on "Best Loved Trees of America." The concluding number was "Evergreen Shrubs," discussed by Mrs. Earl Lassiter. The club Cook Book, which is to be printed soon, was discussed.

Those present were Mesdames Church, Toombs, Lassiter, Brown, Gamble, West, Benson, Moore, Petty, Vaughn, Ferguson, Miller, Dennis, Grimes and Sloman.

WCSA MEETS.

The Women's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist church met on Monday afternoon at the church. Mrs. Vernon Hudson called the meeting to order and Mrs. Tom Lambert led the opening prayer.

Mrs. Ray Wilson gave a talk, from an article in the February issue of the Reader's Digest called "Father Flanagan's Toughest Customer." Mrs. Will Sloman's subject was "The Man Who Conquered Devil's Island." All talks were based on "Christian Social Relationship," Mrs. Virgil Patterson said the closing prayer.

Starting Monday, May 12, the society will meet at 2:30 p. m. for a half hour of prayer. The meeting will be as usual at 3 p. m.

GAME CLUB.

Mrs. and Mrs. Johnny Cox extended gracious hospitality to members of the Jolly Neighbors club on last Saturday evening. Spring flowers graced the rooms where games of

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In The Churches

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

Attendance at the seven reporting Sunday Schools last Sunday was 822 as compared with 711 on the previous Sunday and 798 on the same Sunday a year ago.

METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m. and 8:00 p. m. MYF and juniors meet at 7:00 p. m.

Dr. George Steinman of McMurry college will preach a special Mother's Day sermon.
L. M. Brown, Pastor.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday: Bible School at 9:45 a. m.; preaching 10:50 a. m. and 8:00 p. m. Young Folks class at 7:00 p. m. Wednesday prayer meeting at 7:30 p. m.

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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Morning sermon at 11. Training Union at 7:00 p. m. Evening sermon at 8:00. Prayer meeting at 7:15 Wednesday evening.

Merle Weathers, Pastor.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Morning sermon at 11. Children meet at 7 p. m. No evening service. Mid-week prayer meeting at 8 p. m. on Wednesday.

D. S. Neel, Pastor.

FUNDAMENTALIST BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Mid-week prayer meeting at 7:30 Wednesday evening.

A. T. Suskey, Pastor.

NAZARENE CHURCH

Sunday School 10:00 a. m. Preaching at 11. NYPS at 6:30 p. m. Preaching at 7. Prayer meeting at 7 p. m. Wednesday.

Mrs. J. D. Roedler, Pastor.

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Garden Hints

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Four varieties of lettuce which have been found resistant to heat are Grand Rapids and Oakleaf for loose head, Imperial No. 44 and Imperial No. 456 for head lettuce. Near May 10 sow Oakleaf and Imp. No. 456. This crop requires much watering in dry weather if it is to mature sweet and tender in August. Planting of Grand Rapids and Imp No. 44 is made about July 1. In its early stages, this crop also must be kept well watered. Grand Rapids will mature toward the end of August, and Imp. No. 44 in mid-September.

Water roses heavily when the soil approaches the dry stage and do not water again until the soil becomes almost dry. Deep watering encourages a deep root system. Shallow watering restricts root development. Do not water tops of roses because wet tops encourage leaf rot.

RURAL SOCIETY

TO GIVE BOOK REVIEW.

Mrs. W. T. Sadler is to give a book review for the Clubbonnet Home Demonstration club on Tuesday, May 13, at 2:30 p. m. at the Baptist church at Butman.

GOLAN CLUB.

Mrs. V. P. Byrom spoke on "Improving Egg Quality" at a meeting of the Golan Home Demonstration club when members met at the home of Mrs. W. M. Lawlis. Mrs. Lawlis gave a demonstration of egg cooking. Mrs. S. P. Cox was elected assistant secretary and treasurer, and plans were made for a social meeting

on May 15 at the home of Mrs. O. F. Hill when members will entertain their husbands with a game party.

Mrs. F. E. Sipe announced a community party for young people which will be in line with this year's club program, and Mrs. I. D. Varoil asked that orders for pineapple be turned in immediately.

Mrs. A. W. Jeffrey and Mrs. O. W. Hopper were two new members present and other members were Mesdames J. T. Jeffrey, Ollie Skidmore, A. L. Cade, S. L. Hopper, W. C. Hill, Cecil Stevens, G. D. Davis, P. D. Skidmore, B. R. Vancil.

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- Fancy—Spinach, No. 2
- Fancy—Hominy No. 2
- 10%—BRAN—Flakes, 15 oz.
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- KALE—Greens, No. 2
- Fancy—Sweet Peas, No. 2
- Texsun—Juice, No. 2
- Fancy—Cut Beets, No. 2
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- 1/2 pound 45c Quarts 49c

- WHOLE APRICOTS Heavy Syrup No. 2 1/2 can 19c
- Del Monte PURE Tomato Catsup 14 oz. bottle 19c

- SUPER SUDS Large Box 32c
- Phillips' BEANS with FRANKS 12 oz. can 15c

- Everlite 10 lb. sack 79c
- Flour 25 lb. sack \$1.79
- 50 lb. sack \$3.39

- Phillip's SOUP Chicken, Vegetable, Beet, Chicken Noodle No. 1 cans 12c
- SALAD WAFERS CRACKERS 2 lb. box 39c

- DRIED PEACHES 2 pounds 25c
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